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AMENDMENT AND REPLY

Sir:

This Amendment and Reply are filed in response to the non-Final Office Action mailed from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on December 8, 2006.

A three month Petition for Extension of Time and the appropriate fee are being filed concurrently with this response to restriction requirement and Amendment. Please charge any necessary fees required in connection with the paper transmitted herewith to Deposit Account No. 04-1105, Reference No.: 225436/2382. Please enter the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the **Specification** are shown in the "Amendments to the Specification" which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the **Claims** are shown in the "Listing of the Claims" which begins on page 7 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 13 of this paper.